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SUBJECT: TRAN QUOC BUU'S VISIT TO PARIS

1. CVT PRESIDENT TRAN QUOC BUU, ACCOMPANIED BY NGUYEN DUC DAT, WAS IN PARIS 2-9 MAY. HE CAME FROM BRUSSELS WHERE HE MET WITH SECRETARIES GENERAL OF ICFTU (KERSTEN) AND WCL (BROOK).

2. BUU TOLD LABATT THAT HE WAS PLEASED WITH HIS VISIT TO BRUSSELS PARTLY BECAUSE HE FELT HE SPOKE TO SYMPATHETIC EARS ABOUT THE SITUATION IN SOUTH VIETNAM AND CVT'S ROLE IN PROMOTING DEMOCRACY AND WORKERS WELFARE. BUU CONFIDED ALSO HIS PLEASURE THAT BROOK DID NOT PRESS HIM ON QUESTION OF POSSIBLE CVT DISAFFILIATION FROM WCL AND THAT KERSTEN USED SOFT SELL APPROACH IN SOLICITING CVT AFFILIATION WITH ICFTU.

3. BUU'S LATEST IDEA ABOUT INTERNATIONAL AFFILIATION IS TO JOIN ICFTU'S ASIAN REGIONAL ORGANIZATION (ARO) WITHOUT JOINING ICFTU. HE RELIES ON AFL-CIO PRECEDENT OF RETAINING ORIT AFFILIATION IN LA AFTER DISAFFILIATING

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FROM ICFTU. HE SAID THAT HE TALKED TO MATHUR, ARO SEC.

GEN., AND OTHER ASIAN LABOR LEADERS AND ALL SEEMED TO ACCEPT BUU'S IDEA.

4. IN COURSE OF CONVERSATION BUU ADMITTED THAT HIS CREDIBILITY ON ISSUE OF CVT INTERNATIONAL AFFILIATION IS WEARING THIN BECAUSE FOR YEARS NOW HE HAS TALKED ABOUT QUITTING WCL AND JOINING ICFTU WITHOUT EVER MAKING THE DECISION. HE SEEMED, THEREFORE, COMPELLED THIS TIME TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE ARO AFFILIATION.

5. WHILE IN PARIS BUU DID NOT DO VERY MUCH. HE SAW, OF COURSE, IRVING BROWN, HAD LUNCHEON WITH ANDRE BERGERON, FO SEC. GEN AND WHILE HE BACKED OFF FROM LUNCHEON ORGANIZED FOR HIM BY MORAL REARMAMENT, HE DID SEND NGUYEN DUC DAT AS HIS REPRESENTATIVE.

6. BUU DID NOT VISIT GERMANY ALTHOUGH, AS REPORTED BY SAIGON, HE HAD OBTAINED GERMAN VISA. IN RESPONSE TO URGINGS BY BOTH LABATT AND BROWN, BUU RECOGNIZED USEFULNESS OF A VISIT TO DGB AND AGREED TO CANCEL HIS VISIT TO JAPAN AND RETURN FROM THE U. S. THROUGH PARIS AND GERMANY. HE WAS ESPECIALLY ENCOURAGED TO DO SO BY FACT THAT CHRISTOPHERSEN OF DGB RESPONDED TO BROWN'S TELEPHONE CALL BY EXPRESSING KEEN INTEREST IN BUU VISITING DGB. BROWN PROPOSED 17 OR 20 MAY AS POSSIBLE DATES OF VISIT DEPENDING UPON BUU'S PROGRAM IN THE U. S. IRWIN

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